

This group of first graders get some practice doing homework after school. Tommy Strain, 6, Johnny Webb, 7, and Jeff and Gary Taylor, age 6, were caught by photographer James Barringer on Monday.

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1969 COOLEEMEE, N. C.

Junkin To Speak At Cooleemee PTA

J. Paul Junkin, Administrative Assistant to the Chief of Staff at the Salisbury VA Hospital, will be guest speaker Monday, October 20 at the Cool-eemee Parent Teacher Associ-ation meeting. His topic will be "Parents, Get Involved!"

A native of Alabama, Mr. Junkin attended the University of Alabama and served in the Navy during WW II and the Korean Conflict.

With a scientific background

of several years in VA Hospital laboratories and cancer research in cytology, he also served 14 years in an administrative capacity at the Birming-ham, Alabama VA Hospital before coming in June to the Salisbury VA Hospital.

He is married to the former Louise Dail of Snow Hill, N. C., and they are the parents of a son, Cary, 14. They attend the First Presbyterian Church in Salisbury.

Davie Open **House Slated**

Open House at Davie High School will be held, Tuesday, October 21, from 7 to 9 p.m. All parents and interested persons are urged to attend.

Register Now

Everyone, with the exception of those who registered during the last presidential election, must register in order to vote in the Special Sales Tax Election on November 4.

The books will be open each Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the Cooleemee School Gymnasium. Anyone unable to register on these Saturdays may contact Mrs. Bruce Anderson, Cooleemee Registrar, at her home on Marginal Street Ext.

Challenge Day will be on Saturday, November 1, and the Special Sales Tax Election will be held Tuesday, November 4.

High School Examinations **Set Monday**

Persons completing require-ments for the Adult Education High School Diploma will be able to take their examinations Monday, October 13 and Tuesday, October 14, according to an announcement today by Gene H. Phillips, dean of instruction at Rowan Technical Institute.

Anyone having completed the assigned course of study will be certified to take the examination. Reading and English examination are to be given on Monday, 6:30 and 8:00 p.m. respectively and Mathematics examination on Tuesday at 6:30

Students completing requirements should contact Miss Catherine J. Rivens of Rowan Technical Institute for certification prior to the examination hour.



Everybody gets into the act, but that small blackboard makes coloring a little tough.

Walkie Talkie Anyone?

Walkie Talkie anyone? That just may be our best bet around Cooleemee with the telephone situation the way it is.

Some poor guy is sent here from Marion, the home office — I guess, to work a couple of days a week and boy, does he catch it.

There are so many complaints, he doesn't know where to begin, but he tries. Of course, it's impossible for him to clear up months of troubles in a day

With more than a thousand telephones on the Western Carolina system, you would think that we at least rated a full time service man and an office.

Good grief . . . the local office was closed on such short notice, enclosed in the monthly bill, and no explanation was given as to what future plans were being

made, if any.

The entire situation is completely ridiculous. People de-pend a great deal on the tele-phone these days. In fact, it could be a matter of life and

The entire community is very unhappy with the present set-up and some of the local businessmen and women signed a petition that has been sent to the North Carolina Utilities Commission, complaining about such poor facilities.

The letter, dated Monday and containing the signatures of 69 persons, was sent in duplicate to A. C. Tysinger Jr., district manager of the Western Carolina Telephone Company at Marion which operates the

The letter reads:
"We the undersigned citizens of Cooleemee, would like to request the utilities commis-

sion, as much as possible, to make an extensive evaluation of the telephone equipment and service in the Cooleemee area — to include talks with previous employees . . regarding the frequency of complaints, condition of equipment, procurement of supplies, etc.

"It is our feeling that com-mission on the telephones could be grossly improved. We have tolerated this situation for years and it is our feeling, since now the full-time repairman has been replaced by a part-time repairman, this condition is going to get worse."

Legion Sponsors Turkey Shoot

The Cooleemee American Legion Post 54 will hold a Turkey Shoot the last two Saturdays in this month (October 18, and October 25).

They are scheduled to begin at 1 p. m. to 5:30 p. m. on the Gladstone Road near Post 54.

The shells for all 12, 16, and 20 gage will be furnished. You are asked to bring your own

Beck Brothers Building Burns

The office for Beck Brothers' Garbage Disposal located on Holt Street caught fire Sunday afternoon completely destroy ing all records and equipment.

The fire was first seen by N. M. Beck who notified Hayden Beck. They began fighting the fire with a garden hose.

Gary Vogler, a neighbor also noticed the fire and having a fire chief for a father, knew immediately to get the fire truck from the nearby Fire

Gary assisted by Doll Foster and the Becks soon had the fire under control, but not in time to save the building and its con-

Estimated cost of damage is

approximately \$1,000.

Due to the fire, there will be no statements from Breck Brothers' Garbage Disposal sent out this month, but the pick up service will continue as originally scheduled.

Statements will be sent to all customers in November.

Rev. Murray To Give Sermon

Rev. Charles M. Murray, former pastor, will have charge of the 11 a.m. worship service at the Cooleemee Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 26. Rev. Murray is presently serving as Minister of Christian Education at Myers Park Pres-byserian Church in Charlotte

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